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SIMPLENTH JOINT USIB COMINT/ELINT COMMITTEE MEETING DCI Conference Room, Administration Building, CIA, 18 January 1962

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The Sixteenth Joint Meeting, held on 18 January 1962, came to order at 0930 and adjourned at 1212.

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SUBJECT NUMBER

USIB-CC-29.9/17 Agenda Item #1, Considered at the 16th USIB-EE-29.9/2 Joint COMINT and ELINT Committees Meeting, (Revised 26 January 1962) fold on 18 January 1962.

Subject:

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& NSA 25X9

References:

(a) USIB-C-29.9/7, 31 March 1961

(b) USIB-M-148, 4 April 1961

PROBLEM:

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To determine an appropriate recommendation for USIB relative to a proposed US/ SIGINT agreement.

DISCUSSION:

CIA representatives provided certain background information on steps leading to the proposed agreement being considered-primarily for the benefit of Members of the ELINT Committee.

25X1X7 & NSA 25X9 Relative to the subject of training, as provided for in the

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representative, pointed out that the

would conduct training for the

agreement, the Army Member raised the question of which U.S. agency 25X1A9a a CIA

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one training which is contemplated at present is of the type that would be the responsibility of CIA. The JCS and Army Members felt that since participation in is involved, the Services should do the training. The problem was left for further discussion.

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The Committees concurred in the agreement, after further discussion, and requested that CIA prepare a memorandum of transmittal to USIB providing certain background details for the Members of the Board.

CIA agreed to prepare such a Memorandum and indicated it would be provided electrically to the Members of the Committees for concurrence in order to facilitate submission of the matter to USIB at an early date -- probably for the meeting of the Board now scheduled for 24 January 1962.

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Agenda Item #1, Cont'd.

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DECISION:

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To forward the proposed U. S. SIGINT agreement to USIB for consideration at its meeting on 24 January 1962 with the recommendation that the Board approve it.

The CIA Member of the COMINT Committee to prepare a memorandum of transmittal, along the lines discussed, and provide it electrically to the COMINIT/ELINI Members for consideration on an urgent basis in view of the early date USIB will be scheduled to consider the matter.

ACTION FOR THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

Note for information and consider the matter when presented, probably at the 24 January 1962 Meeting.

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SUBJECT NUMBER

USIB-CC-29.16/11 USIB-EE-29.16/4 (Revised 26 January 1962)

Agenda Item #2, Considered at the 16th nt COMINT and ELINT Committees Meeting, held on 18 January 1962.

Subject:

SIGINT Relations with

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& NSA 25X9

References:

(a) USIB-CC-29.16/10 and EE-29.16/3, 16 January 1962.

(b) USIB-CC-29.16/9 and EE-29.16/2, ITEM #2, 12th Joint Meeting, 17 November 1961.

PROBLEM:

To consider the Ad Hoc Group report provided with reference (a) and to determine an appropriate recommendation for USIB concerning the

DISCUSSION:

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The CIA Member briefed the Committees on certain aspects of SIGINT collaboration, and the scope and nature of parts of the proposed programs.

It was noted that a generally unfamiliar title, "U.S. National SIGINT Establishment (NSE)" was used in TAB A to reference (a). NSA representatives hoped this title would be acceptable to the Members since it was a convenient description to use in dealing with foreigners and could be substituted for several lines of description. The Members agreed to the use of NSE in Committee papers, subject to a footnote explanation of the term.

SECRETARY'S NOTE

This agreement was overtaken by events when on 24 January 1962 in the discussion of USIB-C-29.16/6 USIB decided that the term "U.S. National SIGINT Establishment" should not be used.

After a discussion of reference (a) the Members agreed (1) to delete paragraph 3.c. of the proposed memorandum to USIB, (2) to amend paragraph 5.a. of TAB B, placing a period after the word "activity" in the 2nd line, and deleting the remainder of the paragraph. This was based on recent information that had decided to retain the & NSA 25X@ertain special tasks.

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With the amendments indicated, the Committees approved the report and agreed to submit it to USIB for consideration at the Board Meeting scheduled for 24 January 1962.

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USIB-EE-29.16/4

(Revised 26 January 1962)

DECISION:

(18 January 1962)

To approve the Ad Hoc Group Report as amended, and to forward it to USIB for consideration at the 24 January 1962 Board Meeting, recommending that the Board approve it.

ACTION FOR THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

Note for information and to consider the Committees report when presented.

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Agenda Item #3, Considered at the 16th Joint COMINT and ELINT Committees Meeting, held on 18 January 1962.

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Subject:

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References:

- (a) USIB-CC-29.19/25 and EE-29.19/13, 16 January 1962
- (b) USIB-CC-29.19/26 and EE-29.19/14, 16 January 1962
- (c) USIB-CC-29.19/23 and EE-29.19/11, 15th Joint Meeting, 19 December 1961

PROBLEM:

To consider the Ad Hoc Group report provided with reference (a).

DISUCSSION:

The Members reviewed the Ad Hoc Group Report, and the Air Force
Member referred to certain problems pertinent to the issues under
consideration, namely: (1) the SAC communication problem, (2) MATS 25X1A2g
turn around, and (3) the matter. He felt that these issues
should be considered part of the SIGINT problem since failure to include
them or failure to negotiate them at an early date could materially
impair the support of SIGINT facilities.

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The lack of specific provision for

was also discussed.

The NSA Member pointed out that certain portions of the report would have to be revised to more adequately cover the phasing of negotiations. NSA would be able to do that part of the rewrite, but on other aspects of the problem NSA did not have adequate information, and Members would have to make detailed contributions.

The Navy Member was charged with providing NSA with an annex to cover and the Air Force Member charged to provide annexes on the three problems he referred to.

NSA is to present a consolidated report for Joint Committee consideration on Friday, 26 January 1962.

Views expressed by both the State Department and Air Force Members indicate there is a high degree of urgency to proceed with negotiations at an early date. Members expressed the hope that the meeting on 26 January 1962 will result in a recommendation which can be considered by USIB the following week, probably on 31 January 1962.

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There also was an expression of optimism that at the next meeting, a decision could be reached on the matter of who would conduct the negotiations and the composition of the negotiating team.

DECISION;

(18 January 1962)

That NSA will revise the Ad Hoc Group Report, to include Air Force and Navy contributions, and that the Committees will meet Jointly on Friday, 26 January 1962 to consider the problem again with a view to providing an approved report to USIB for that Board to consider on 31 January 1962.

ACTION FOR THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

Note for information and to consider the Committees report probably on 31 January 1962.

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USIB-CC-29.24/7 USIB-EE-29.24/6 Agenda Item #4, Considered at the 16th Joint COMINT and ELINT Committees Meeting, held on 18 January 1962.

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& NSA 25X9

Subject:

References:

- (a) USIB-CC-29.24/5 and EE-29.24/4, 4 January 1962
- (b) USIB-CC-29.24/3 and EE-29.24/2, Agenda Item 3, 12th Joint Meeting, 17 November 1961
- (c) USIB-CC-29.24/2 and EE-29.24/1, 8 November 1961

PROBLEM:

To consider the Ad Hoc Working Group Report and to determine an appropriate reply to GMAIC's question posed in reference (c).

DISCUSSION:

Lt. Col. Gardinier referred to the Ad Hoc Working Group report and explained certain matters considered by the Group in reaching its conclusion and recommendations.

The Members discussed the problem and agreed that the report could be used as the basis for a response to GMAIC, subject to the change of "would" to "might" in the last sentence of paragraph 5.

DECISION: (18 January 1962)

To approve the Ad Hoc Working Group Report with the change of one word (as noted in the discussion) and to provide GMAIC with an early reply to the question posed.

The Executive Secretary to forward an appropriate memorandum to the Chairman, GMAIC; (Forwarded as USIB-CC-5.3/363 and USIB-EE-5.3/176.)

ACTION FOR THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

Note for information.

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USIB-CC-29.11/55 USIB-EE-29.11/59 Agenda Item #5, Considered at the 15th Joint COMINT and ELINT Committees Meeting, held on 18 January 1962.

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Subject:

References:

- (a) USIB-CC-29.11/53 and EE-29.11/57, 9 January 1962
- (b) USIB-CC-29.11/54 and EE-29.11/58, 15 January 1962

PROBLEM:

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To consider the proposed reply message circulated with reference (b), and to determine an appropriate recommendation for USIB relative to the matter.

DISCUSSION:

The CIA Member expressed concern regarding paragraphs 5. Frank F. of reference (b) and there was a thorough discussion of what might have intended by the words used. Although there was no general agreement on the intent of the portions in question, the Members did agreed that nothing in the series of messages exchanged between USIB and words added to the end of paragraph 2 of the proposed reply were found to satisfy all concerned: "concerning anticipated U. S. SIGINT

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With the addition indicated, the Committees approved forwarding the proposed message to USIB for consideration by the Board on a "no objection" basis.

DECISION:

(18 January 1962)

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To approve the proposed reply to with the change shown in the discussion above, and to forward it to USIB for consideration on a "no objection" basis.

ACTION FOR THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE BOARD:

Note for information and consideration when submitted.

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